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Did Not Advertise.

A little chap in Philadelphia whose father is a prominent merchant, and, as such, never loses an opportunity to descart upon the virtues of advertising, one day asked his mother: "May Lucy and I play at keeping store in the front room?"

"Yes," assented the mother, "but you must be very, very quiet."

"All right," said the youngster, "we will pretend we don't advertise."-Lippincott's.

Only a fool neglects the present under the impression that the future will take care of itself.

It frequently happens that the things we get for nothing cost us more than the things we buy.

WILLIS WOOD. The Viennese Sparkle of "THE MERRY WIDOW"

Retained in Its American Adaptation. New Year's week attraction, beginning Sunday, Dec. 27. Matinees Wednesday, Friday (New Year's day) and Saturday.

The Viennese are essentially a bright, happy, pleasure-loving people, fond of music, galety and the dance, and "The Merry Widow," the latest musical importation from gay Vienna ha slost not an atom of her brilliancy and sparkle by translation into the English tongue.

It is a draught of intoxicating wine, full to overflowing of golden bubbles. No sooner does one reach the surface and burst than it is followed by another and another, with an apparently inexhaustible supply. Never once does the wine lose its sparkle. The draught is invigorating, full of delicious exhiliration, and when the glass is drained not a single dreg is found at the bot-

"A man learns to do by doing," remarked the moralizer. "Yes," rejoined the demoralizer; "and also by being done."--- Chicago News.

"Oh, pshay! You haven't any stock of hats at all!" "Why, madame, you have tried on two hundred and fortyso far!"-Fliegende Blatter.

muerry coquette-1 don't like this furniture. It isn't suitable for my style. Dealer-What do you say to something antique.-Life.

the class as to how the age of a chic- maining 61 per cent or 4,367,000,000 Cracksmen Used Motor Cars And ken is determined? Johnny-Yes'm. By the teeth. Teacher-Why, Johnny, three million pounds was the aggrechickens have no teeth! Johnny- gate of the exportation of sugar from No'm. But we have .- The Bohemian, this country.

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A MILLION A DAY FOR SUGAR

INTERESTING FIGURES BY BU-REAU OF STATISTICS.

Average American Citizen Consumes 82.6 Pounds Every Year-More Beet Than Cane Sugar.

average American citizen consumes half his own weight in sugar every year and Uncle Sam's sugar bill aver- taurant. Two revolvers were found ages \$1,000,000 a day. The total consumption of sugar in the United States in 1907, as shown by a report issued cells in the city hall Cain was not by the bureau which is the latest year certain that he had all their weapons for which statistics are available, reached 7,089,667,975 pounds.

the average retail price of 51/2 cents per pound," the report states, "we get a total of \$372,000,000 as its cost to the consumer, or more than \$1,000,-

cent or 1,511,000,000 pounds of the su- through a window in the rear of the gar consumption of the country was of home production; 17.7 per cent or 1,254,000,000 pounds was brought from Teacher-Johnny, can you inform our insular possessions and the recame from foreign countries. Forty-

The United States sugar record for countries was larger than ever before; the quantity brought from our car, after a fight with the authorities. island possessions was larger than in any previous year; the quantity exconsumption was the largest ever re. ton. corded, an average of 82.6 pounds for each man, woman and child of continental United States

The production of beet sugar for the first time exceeded the production of cane sugar, the product fo the year got \$3,000 there. being cane sugar, 544,000,000 pounds. while the production of beet sugar amounted to 967,000,000 pounds.

Hanahan to Leave Engineers.

New York.-Announcement was made here Sunday that John J. Hannahan, grand master of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, would on January 1 next, sever his official connection with the organization to take the vice presidency of the American Automatic Stoker company with offices in Chicago. D. W. Ross, with offices in New York, is president of the company, in which Edwin Hawley and Theodore P. Shonts of New York are interested.

Robbed by Its Operators.

Portland, Ore.-An investigation by the Western Union Telegraph company, carried on during the past six months, has disclosed an organized system of theft among railroad operators on the Pacific coast by reason of which the telegraph company has been robbed of an amount estimated at several hundred thousand dollars, according to a statement made Sunday night by an official of the company who is in charge on the investi-

Good Place for Colorado Man. New York .- E. E. Rittenhouse, insurance commissioner of Colorado, was Monday elected president of the

ciety of New York, succeeding Arthur

G. Langham of Louisville, Ky.

OFFICERS SHOT IN A JAIL.

One Man Killed and the Marshal Wounded by a Prisoner.

Highee, Missouri.-Frank Cain city marshal, was shot and probably dangerously wounded and Elmer Ma gruder was instantly killed at ter o'clock Friday night in the city hall by three men whom Cain had arrested for robbing a railway station in Salisbury. The three men, who gave Washington.-Figures gathered by their names as Fred Anderson and the bureau of statistics show that the James and Bud Drener and Des Moines, Ia., as their home, were arrested while eating supper at a resupon them.

After locking them in the steel and he and Magruder went back to make a further search. As soon as "Calculating this enormous total at Cain opened one of the cell doors the man in it began to shoot, killing Magruder and shoting Cain through the right lung. One of the men in another cell also opened fire on Cain, 000 a day for each of the 365 days of who returned the shots hitting the The statement shows that 21.3 per shot Cain escaped by jumping

NEBRASKA BANKS ROBBED.

Were in Evening Dress.

Gibbon, Nebraska.-Six robbers, blew up the safes of the Farmers' 1907 was unique in that the quantity State bank of Keene and the Commerof that product imported from foreign cial bank of this city Friday morning, secured \$5,500 and escaped in a motor

One of the bandits was severely wounded. He was assisted into the ported was larger than in any year of machine and the robbers fled eastthe past decade and the per capita ward. They were last seen at Shel-

> Keene, 28 miles south of this place on the Burlington railway, was first attacked. Two burglar proof safes were destroyed and a heavy steel door was demolished. The robbers

All Ministers Eligible. Wichita, Kan.-The effort started

about a month ago to exclude from the Wichita Ministerial association, those who do not believe in the divinity of Christ, has failed and Universalists, Unitarians and other churches holding similar faiths may become the belief "that Jesus is Christ, the Son of the living God, as declared in Mathew 16:16," was changed Monday to read "all ministers of Wichita in good standing in their several churches may become members."

Crushed in Chicago Elevator. Chicago.-Pushed by crowds of Christmas shoppers, Elmer A. Birdseye, the seven-year-old son of George Birdseye, a wholesale grocer of Seattle, Wash., was crushed to death in an elevator of the Boston store here Monday night. The boy was being taken by his grandmother, Mrs. Emma Birdseye, to see the toys. The elevator operator was arrested pending the coroner's inquest.

A New Deal in Venezuela.

Port of Spain .- Vice President J Vincente Gomez, to whom Gen. Cipriano Castro handed over the presihas established a new government in Venezuela. He has replaced the old ministry with a new body of men who represent various factions in the state various ways in the country's political history.

JOHN COLLINS PARDONED

GOV. HOCH CONVINCED OF KAN-SAN'S INNOCENCE.

Had Served Ten Years of a Life Sentence for the Murder of His Father.

Topeka, Kansas.-Gov. Hoch Tuesday afternoon commuted the sentence of John Collins effective Wednesday morning from life imprisonment, "Absolute belief, in Collins innocence," was Gov. Hoch's reason.

The governor also made it plain that the clemency was not granted at this time because of the nearness of Christmas and that the pardon must not be construed in any way as a Christmas gift. In his public statement, given out with the pardon, the governor says he feels that Collins was unjustly convicted. The governor has repeatedly said he does not believe in holiday pardons.

The pardoning of Collins, unlike that of Emmet Dalton, was devoid of all dramatic incidents. In the later case Dalton was called to the governor's office and in the presence of all the newspaper correspondents he was handed his pardon, the lights going out at the moment the governor was ready to pronounce the news to Dalton. In the case of Collins, however, there was none of this. It was quite prosaic. Late Tuesday afternoon a rumor went about the state house that there would "be something doing" in the Collins case later in the afternoon. The governor merely smiled when asked if there was anything in the reports.

"You've had rumors before that have not materialized, haven't you?" he said with a laugh.

Shortly after 4 o'clock the governor's son, Homer, who is his private secretary came from the executive office and announced that Collins had been pardoned, his freedom to begin Wednesday. To the reporters he handed a typewritten statement by the governor giving the reason for clem-

Miss Grace Collins, the prisoner's sister, was not there, and Collins' lawyers were not present. In fact no one was there who had at any time taken any special interest in the case. The entire matter lasted not more than ten seconds.

"Will Miss Grace Collins be given the pardon papers to take to her broth-"No she doesn't know of the pardon

yet. The papers will go over by mail just as any other pardon would go."

A PRISON PROBE IN KANSAS.

Charge Against Warden Haskell to be Investigated.

Topeka, Kansas.-Gov. Hoch has attired in silk hats and evening dress, appointed the Kansas committee to E Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and join with a committee from Oklahoma it has restored me to perfect health. and the charges of inhuman treat-ment, poor food and unsanitary sur-suffering woman would try it."

Had it not been for you I should have been in my grave to-day. I wish every suffering woman would try it." ment, poor food and unsanitary surroundings. The Kansas committee is FACTS FOR SICK WOMEN. composed of the following: Prof. E. W. Blackmar, University of

Kansas; F. D. Coburn, secretary Kan- from roots and herbs, has been the sas board of agriculture; Dr. S. J. Crumbine, secretary of the Kansas board of health; the Rev. Charles M. women who have been troubled with Sheldon, Topeka, author and preacher; Frank Gilday, Kansas mine inspector.

The governor notified Gov. Haskell of Oklahoma that the committee was appointed and demanded that Gov. Haskell at once appoint a similar Why don't you try it? committee and let the joint committee get to work at once.

Paid \$120,000 for 15 Caxton's.

Manchester, England .- A Manches ter paper states that J. Pierpont Morgan paid \$120,000 for the 15 Caxtons, part of the famous library of Lord members. The constitution requiring Amherst of Hackney, recently disposed of at public sale.

A MOVE FOR SILVER.

Senator Teller Has a Plan to Enlarge Its Use as Money.

New York, N. Y .- Small circulat-

ing notes of limited legal tender, secured by silver, something after the manner of the Sherman silver notes of 1890, are proposed by Henry M. Teller, senator from Colorado, who is a member of the Aldrich currency commission. Senator Teller has written a letter to Moreton Frewen of London, who for years was an ardent advocate of bi-metalism. The letter was printed in L'Economeste Europeen, a Paris financial weekly paper. Senator Teller says he would not be willing to propose such a plan unless some agreement could be made with dency on his departure for Europe, India not to sell its surplus rupees in case the price of silver should advance as a result of American purchases for the proposed new form of currency. There is no reason to suppose that the Provident Savings Life Assurance so and who have figured prominently in other members of the commission approve the plan



The extraordinary popularity of fine white goods this summer makes the choice of Starch a matter of great importance. Defiance Starch, being free from all injurious chemicals, is the only one which is safe to use on fine fabrics. Its great strength as a stiffener makes half the usual quantity of Starch necessary, with the result of perfect finish, equal to that when the goods were new.

Ponderous.

"Do that orator's opinions carry any weight?" asked one statesman. "They ought to," answered the other. "They are heavy enough."

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YELLOW CLOTHES ARE UNSIGHTLY. Keep them white with Red Cross Ball Blue. All grocers sell large 2 oz. package, 5 cents.

It's a bad thing to be known as "good thing."



This woman says Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound saved her life. Read her letter. Mrs. T. C. Willadsen, of Manning,

Iowa, writes to Mrs. Pinkham: "I can truly say that Lydia E. Pink-ham's Vegetable Compound saved my life, and I cannot express my gratitude to you in words. For years I suffered with the worst forms of female com-plaints, continually doctoring and spending lots of money for medicine without help. I wrote you for advice, followed it as directed, and took Lydia

For thirty years Lydia E. Pink-ham's Vegetable Compound, made standard remedy for female ills, and has positively cured thousands of displacements, inflammation, ulceration, fibroid tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, that bearing-down feeling, flatulency, indigestion, dizziness, or nervous prostration.

Mrs. Pinkham invites all sick women to write her for advice. She has guided thousands to health. Address, Lynn, Mass.

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